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Subject: RE: Seeking comment on letter by Issa's committee

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From: Bob King [bking@politico.com] Sent: 01/19/2012 06:10 PM EST

To: Betsaida Alcantara

Subject: seeking comment on letter by Issa's committee

Hello. We're writing tonight about a letter to Administrator Jackson from Congressman Issa's House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, and out of fairness we are seeking a response from EPA.

In the letter, the committee questions whether EPA has "prejudged that hydraulic fracturing poses an environmental threat, even before the agency has completed a congressionally-mandated review of the practice." It also questions alleged emails in which "EPA staff indicated to FERC that EPA would not recognize the Commission's estimates of the quantity of natural gas reserves—including natural gas recovered by hydraulic fracturing... It appears that EPA rejected the possibility of more abundant natural gas reserves from hydraulic fracturing due to concern about 'environmental impacts of hydraulic fracturing."

The full letter is available here: http://oversight.house.gov/images/stories/Letters/2012-01-19 DEI Lankford to Jackson re hydraulic fracturing.pdf

As I said, we're writing about this issue tonight. I would be happy to incorporate any response you could get to me by 8 p.m. EST.

Thanks for your help.

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